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Profit Reserve	\$337,047
Fire Fund	\$1,567,500
Life & Annuity Funds	\$1,567,500
Sinking Fund Account	\$28,230
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$23,970,367</b>

Revenue Fire Branch..... \$2,381,456  
Life and Annuity Branch..... 2,141,593  
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Other Receipts..... 478,940  
**Total**..... **\$5,339,228**

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**THE FLANDERS STRUGGLE.**

**ENEMY CAPTURES BAILLEUL.**

London, April 16,  
12.30 p.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig  
reports:—

The enemy last evening launched  
a very heavy attack, preceded by an  
intense bombardment, between Bail-  
leul and Neuve Eglise. Three pick-  
eted German Divisions, not previously  
engaged in battle, delivered an  
assault and, after a fierce and bitter  
struggle, carried the high ground  
south-eastward and eastward of  
Bailleul known as Mont-de-Lille and  
the Revelberg.

We have fallen back to new posi-  
tions northward of Bailleul and  
Wulverghem.

Bailleul fell into the enemy's  
hands.

Fresh German attacks are develop-  
ing this morning in the neighbour-  
hood of Wytschaete.

We repulsed an attack under cover  
of heavy artillery and trench-mortar  
fire south-westward of Vieux Berquin  
and took prisoners.

There was a successful minor  
enterprise south-eastward of Robecq.

**VIOLENT ARTILLERY DUEL ON  
FRENCH FRONT.**

London, April 16.

A French communiqué states:—  
The artillery duel is very violent  
in the region of Hangard-en-Santerre.  
Our artillery dispersed enemy  
assemblies on the outskirts of  
Demuin.

There was lively cannonading on  
the sector at Avocourt.

**FRENCH OFFICIAL  
REPORTS.**

**FLANDERS FRONT STABILISED.**

**LINE MODIFIED SLIGHTLY.**

Paris, April 16.

A semi-official message says:—  
During the last two days the  
Flanders front has become stable.  
It is very satisfactory to see that the  
enemy is contained along a long line,  
constituting an enormous salient and  
exposing him to dangerous counter-  
offensives. The modification of the  
line, caused by the abandonment of  
Neuve Eglise, does not exceed a  
hundred metres.

**EPIC FIGHTING.**

**GLORIOUS DEEDS OF OUR  
MEN.**

London, April 16,  
4.40 a.m.

The brilliant performances of the  
British against the overwhelming  
hordes of Germans continue to form  
the theme of 'Correspondents' nar-  
ratives.

It appears that Neuve Eglise was  
not taken by assault but by artillery  
fire. The evacuation preceded some  
of the most desperate fighting of the  
war.

The Germans at first vainly tried  
their familiar enveloping tactics, and  
then tried to rush the place. The  
enemy broke into the ruined streets  
and met small parties of the Wil-  
shires and Worcesters. A terrible  
hand-to-hand struggle ensued in the  
backyards of ruined houses and  
cellars.

The enemy several times cleared  
out from most parts of the town, the  
British holding out a hollow square  
under a heavy fire of shells, trench-  
mortars and machine-guns. The  
enemy still continued his savage  
onslaught, but failed to carry the  
town by assault. Eventually the

British retreated out of a hail of  
shell-fire unknown to the enemy,  
who is now undergoing the same  
ordeal.

The British between Meris and  
Wyschaete have so far repelled  
battalions of special "shock" troops  
and Alpinists, who were ordered to  
take Bailleul at all costs. These  
suffered heavily, the dead lying piled  
up below the railway embankment  
near Bailleul. The waves of Ger-  
mans were mown down by our  
machine-guns.

While there is no attempt to con-  
ceal the fact the situation is still  
serious. It is pointed out that the  
German progress is vastly slower,  
and such offensives rarely regain the  
original momentum.

**OUR STRATEGICAL POSITION NOT  
BRILLIANT.**

**ENTIRE GERMAN FORCES NOT  
USED AGAINST THE BRITISH.**

London, April 16.

Colonel Repington, in the *Morning  
Post*, expresses the opinion that our  
strategical position is not exactly  
brilliant, but estimates that a quar-  
ter of the entire German forces on  
the British front have not been used  
up, while Generalissimo Foch's  
French reserves have not yet given  
signs of life.

**GERMAN LOSSES ESTIMATED  
AT 400,000.**

The *Daily News* expert estimates  
that the enemy losses are 400,000.

**GENERAL FOCH'S APPOINTMENT.**

**UNIVERSAL SATISFACTION.**

London, April 16.

General Foch's appointment as  
Generalissimo has been received with  
universal satisfaction. Indeed it is  
regarded as an imperative necessity,  
after the recent events, to have all  
the Armies under a single control,  
avoiding the system of watertight  
compartments.

The French pay a tribute to the  
generous action of Great Britain.

**THE REICHSTAG AND PEACE.**

**A RESOLUTION THAT HAS  
BEEN SET ASIDE.**

Amsterdam, April 16.

Declarations by prominent mem-  
bers of the Progressive People's  
Party that the Reichstag resolution  
of July, 1917, no longer has any  
force have been confirmed by the  
Centre organ, *Germania*, which  
says: "The Centre Party has re-  
served to itself a free hand in the  
West."

The *Mitteleuropäische* says: "The  
July resolution was merely a tac-  
tical means of securing peace in the  
East. It has now been set aside.  
The aim now is to gain a victorious  
peace by force of arms in the West."

**MR. CHAMBERLAIN TO JOIN THE  
WAR CABINET.**

London, April 16.

The *Times* states that Mr. Cham-  
berlain has been included in the  
Home Rule drafting Committee, and  
suggests that he has joined the War  
Cabinet.

**CANADIAN PARLIAMENT AND  
THE WAR.**

**SECRET SESSION TO DISCUSS  
THE CRISIS.**

Ottawa, April 16.

The House of Commons has de-  
cided to hold a secret sitting on  
Wednesday to discuss the situation  
on the Western Front. The Senators  
will attend.

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Palmer Slip, No. 2, Cambridge	297	50'	12'	6"		
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Hongkong, April 15, 1918. 328

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SATURDAY,

the 20th April, 1918, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

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Consisting of:—Tinned Milk, Meats, Fruits, Jams, and Sundry Groceries, Bottled Claret, Beer, Stout, Sherries, Champagne, Cognac, &c., &c., &c.,

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(In view from Friday, the 19th inst. Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 13, 1918. 324

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Administrator of the Estate of WILLIAM CHARLES FENCIBALD deceased to sell by Public Auction,

on

MONDAY,

the 22nd day of April, 1918, at 12 Noon, at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD

PROPERTIES

Situate at Ma-tau-kok, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1104 and Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1105.

The Properties consist of:—  
Lot 1.—All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Ma-tau-kok in the Dependency of Kowloon and Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1104.

This Lot has an area of 150,000 sq. ft. or thereabouts and is held for the unexpired residue of the term of seventy-five years (renewable) created therein by an Indenture of Crown Lease dated the 25th day of November, 1901 subject to an annual Crown rent of \$500.

Lot 2.—All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Ma-tau-kok aforesaid and registered in the Land Office as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1105.

This Lot adjoins Lot 1, has an area of 45,000 sq. ft. or thereabouts and is held for the unexpired residue of the term of seventy-five years (renewable) created therein by an Indenture of Crown Lease dated the 25th day of November, 1901 subject to an annual Crown rent of \$250.00.

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Hongkong, April 16, 1918. 330

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"GALESEND" 100 THE FRANK

6 Rooms Apply C. H. GALE,

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Hongkong, Mar. 25, 1918. 377

#### FOR SALE.

TUSCULUM, Barker Road, 155 Peak.

Apply—

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Hongkong, Mar. 1, 1918. 180

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Motor "Scipies", Heavy duty 14 H.P.

Complete with Lavatory, Refrigerator,

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Price and full particulars may be had from the Undersigned.

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Hongkong, Jan. 9 1918. 37

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RESIDENTIAL FLAT in Prince's

Building.

Apply to—

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Hongkong, April 8, 1918. 309

#### TO LET.

N.O. 3 CANTON VILLAS, Kowloon.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, April 8, 1918. 310

#### TO LET.

OFFICES in York Building.

ROUSES on Shamoen, Canton.

Apply to—

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Hongkong, August 2, 1917. 3003

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### ON THE EVE OF THE OFFENSIVE.

#### COLONEL REPINGTON'S REVIEW.

The Western theatre of war, wrote

Colonel Repington on March 15th,

includes the whole front occupied by

the Allied armies from the Adriatic

to the North Sea; also those parts of

the south and east coasts of England

liable to attack, as well as adjacent

waters.

The leading idea of strategy among

the Allies, should the war be pro-

longed, is to hold out until the arrival

of Allied, and particularly American,

reinforcements allows the offensive

to be continued.

This general defensive strategy

does not exclude offensive tactics on

land or sea; it means merely

deliberate postponement of decisive

action until our means justify us in

renewing offensive war on a grand

scale. It assumes maintenance of

our general control at sea; the ade-

quate suppression of hostile sub-

marines, and possession of tonnage

sufficient for transport of troops and

war materials destined for France.

VICTORY LARGELY DEPENDS ON SHIPS.

Victory depends mainly now, as

always in our great wars, upon suc-

cessful performance by Allied ship-

yards and navies of their duties.

The measure of the period during

which we have to hold out is that

of the time needed to accumulate

in France forces adequate to enable

offensive strategy to be resumed.

We do not know whether Germany

intends to fight this war out to a

finish with the Western Powers, or

whether she will be satisfied with her

successes in the East; whether she

proposes to concentrate all her avail-

able forces in the West and then to

negotiate. In any event, our object

must be to meet concentration by

concentration, and with all available

means, so that whether it be war or

negotiation we shall stand in a

favourable position.

If there are political indications

that German statescraft dreads the

consequences of letting loose uncon-

trollable forces, and doubts the suc-

cess of German arms in the West,

all military information points to an

early opening of the great offensive

for which the German higher com-

mand is piling up all the forces it

can lay its hands upon. The date of

this decisive struggle, should it come

about, depends upon German opin-

ion, which cannot be exactly

weighed.

The value of American aid to the

Allies is not highly estimated in

Germany. One well-known German

writer allows that there may be one

or two American divisions in France,

while the Norddeutsche Zeitung

admits, four. But as it gives the

total American force in France as

70,000 to 80,000 men, and says these

are not all fighting men and that the

majority are still being trained and

equipped, it is evident no great count

is taken of what the United States

has done or can do. It is evidently

not dread of the arrival of great

American forces that will weigh most

in German decisions.

We have to admit that the German

concentration in the West, so far as

it has gone, may authorise the open-

ing of the preliminaries of the grand

attack at any moment, but there are

also reasons why it may be post-

poned. American aid, there are no

good reasons for haste. It may be

considered prudent to await ratifica-

tion or denunciation of the Brest-

Litovsk peace treaty by Bolshevik

Russia, and to settle the affairs of the

Ukraine and Rumania before the die

is cast in the West.

MAY GIVE TROOPS AND FOOD.

These settlements, if completed,

will free many German and Austrian

troops still retained in the East, and

the eventual pressure in France and

Italy will thereby be accentuated.

They are also expected to lead to the

arrival in Germany of large supplies

of food by the end of the current

month. The Germans may also find

it difficult to admit that we can with-

draw many troops from Palestine and







## TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

## RUMANIA'S OILFIELDS.

## GERMANY SECURES LEASE FOR 99 YEARS.

AMSTERDAM, April 16. According to the *Tages Zeitung*, Germany has reserved for itself the lease of the Rumanian oil wells for 99 years, and the right of military occupation for several years.

## THE RAISON D'ETRE OF THE UNIONISTS.

## WILL THE IRISH SETTLEMENT DESTROY IT?

LONDON, April 16. The *Times* publishes a letter from nine representative Unionists, urging a prompt settlement of Ireland and advocating a Federal Bill compatible with the extension of self-government in other parts of the Kingdom. The *Times* Parliamentary Correspondent, commenting on this, says the Unionist Party, despite the gloomy predictions of the older members, refuses to believe that the Irish Settlement will abolish its *raison d'etre*.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE GREAT STRUGGLE.

## ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

LONDON, April 16. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:— Fighting occurred in the afternoon in the neighbourhood of Baillieu and Wulverghem and continued. Hostile artillery was active between Giverny and Robecq. Our artillery effectively engaged bodies of infantry on the La Bassée-Estaires road.

## ENORMOUS ENEMY LOSSES.

LONDON, April 15. Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, speaks of the enormous losses inflicted upon the enemy in yesterday's fighting, especially by the machine-guns at close range. We smashed attacks against Messines Ridge. The most bitter struggle was for Neuve Eglise, where both forces on both sides were engaged. The situation hereabouts to-day is obscure but our guns were reported to be shelling the ruins of the place this morning, which suggests that the enemy has again got a footing there and we are again counter-attacking. Prisoners say the effort to take Baillieu will be renewed. We have retaken the hamlet of Roubaix, three thousand yards east of Robecq. Giverny and Festubert have been heavily shelled.

## THE FIGHT FOR HANGARD.

LONDON, April 15. Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, writing on the 14th inst., says:— One of the most bitter engagements in the great battle was fought on Friday for Hangard, a position of importance north of the road from Noyon to Amiens. The Germans attacked three times, hoping to thrust a wedge between the French and British Armies and obtain the mastery of the Amiens road. The village was taken, re-taken and taken again by the Germans. It was "seized" a second time by the French just in time to save the remnants of the garrison. In the great battle on April 4, the village was gallantly held by a battalion against a furious onslaught. The hill dominating the village was captured by the Germans but retaken by the French. On the other hand, after fighting all night from house to house, were driven out. On Friday the Germans re-attacked and surrounded the village. The Battalion Commander fortified himself in a house and held out from eight in the morning until six in the evening. He telegraphed to Headquarters, "I am surrounded but still holding out." The enemy is about to attack. It was then six in the evening, and a few minutes later he and his men were made prisoners. The counter-attack by the French and British was completely successful. Hundreds of Germans were captured, and the French defenders except two were rescued.

## GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, April 15. A German official message states:— Bitter hand-to-hand fighting, frequently developed on the Lys, battle-field. We cleared out an English machine-gun nest southward of Neuve Eglise and between Baillieu and Merris, taking the occupants prisoner. Enemy counter-attacks at Baillieu, and north-westward of Bethune, heavily broke down.

## GERMAN CLAIM.

LONDON, April 16. A German official message states:— We captured the enemy's lines north-eastward of Wulverghem.

## THE KAISER AT THE FRONT.

AMSTERDAM, April 15. The Kaiser was present during the attack on Arras.

## SIX DAYS' CONTINUAL FIGHTING.

## HOW A BRITISH DIVISION HELD OUT.

LONDON, April 15. A supplementary despatch by Sir Douglas Haig states:— The 55th Division, comprising West Lancashire Territorials, on April 9, were holding a front of 6,000 yards from La Bassée Canal to southward of Richebourg Lavonne, where the line joined the Portuguese. The enemy's attack on the southern portion of this front was delivered by all three regiments of the Fourth Ersatz Division which was well up to strength. A captured Divisional order from the General Staff to this Division dated April 6th shows the objectives were the ground and the British position in the triangle—Giverny, Festubert and Gorre.

The following passages are of special interest:—"In our attack three regiments will be opposed at most by six companies in front, and at most two reserve battalions at Festubert and Giverny. One battalion of the Divisional reserve is southward of La Bassée Canal in Le Froel. Our powerful artillery will prevent it from participating in the fight for Festubert and Giverny. The troops are elements of the English 55th Division which, after the engagement on the Somme, lost heavily in Flanders and Cambrai and is described by prisoners in March 1918 as a Division fit to hold a quiet sector—that is to say, below average quality."

The above order was distributed to all officers and under-officers of the Fourth Ersatz Division, down to platoon commanders, presumably with a view to encouraging the troops prior to the attack, and in the belief that the opposition would not be very serious. If such was the expectation the enemy was most signally disappointed. The 55th Division, throughout the early morning of the 9th, beat off all attacks in the forward zone and maintained the line intact. When later the German infantry broke through the Portuguese on its left, the Division formed a defensive flank facing north-east on the Giverny-Festubert line to the neighbourhood of Le Touren. It maintained this line practically unchanged, until relief came, through six days' almost continual fighting, during which it beat off repeated attacks with very heavy losses to the enemy and captured nearly 1,000 prisoners.

At one time on April 9 the enemy entered Giverny and Festubert, but both were shortly afterwards regained by the 55th as the result of a highly successful counter-attack in which several hundreds of Germans were captured. All further attempts to carry these positions broke down before the Fifty-Fifth's resolute defence. Though the enemy on April 11 succeeded in entering a post northward of Festubert, he was thrown out, and during the night of April 12, the Fifty-Fifth improved its position in this neighbourhood. The enemy the next afternoon heavily bombarded the whole of the Fifty-Fifth's front between Gorre and the Lave Canal and attacked in strength. He was again repulsed with heavy loss by the very gallant and very successful defence of the Division he had been pleased to describe as consisting of second-class troops.

## EVERY HOUR STRENGTHENS DEFENCE.

LONDON, April 16. Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, writing on the evening of April 15, says:— The enemy has not yet been brought to a standstill in the Flanders battle. His re-occupation of Neuve Eglise and his desperate struggle to advance towards Baillieu show that the enemy is able and willing to continue to pay an appalling price in his attempts to crush the British Army. On the other hand, every hour the strength of the defence is increasing. The enemy's failure to reach the final objective in the Somme Battle is being repeated to-day in Flanders.

The enemy's programme was to reach Kemmel by April 10. He is only three miles from Kemmel Ridge, but to-day he is no nearer than on Friday, since our reinforcements have been flung across the Germans' path. Interesting details of the German losses are coming in. The 17th Division and 17th Reserve Division on April 11 got a terrible galling and were forced to retire upon their starting point. A prisoner of the 52nd Reserve Infantry reluctantly paid a tribute to the magnificent fighting of the British machine-gunners, who on March 23, reduced the prisoner's company to half its strength. The prisoner, who was 43 years of age, came from Germany with a draft of 500, the greater proportion of whom were Landsturm over 35 years of age, the remainder being lads of 18 or 19.

Since the capture of Neuve Eglise the enemy has not attempted to push on. He is reported to be preparing another thrust against Baillieu. The weather is grey and the visibility poor. The ground is dry and there is an east wind.

## GERMAN CASUALTIES.

## NORMAL FOR SUCH BIG OPERATIONS.

AMSTERDAM, April 16. It is significant that the Wolf Bureau has felt compelled to issue a statement regarding German losses. It emphasizes that the majority of the wounded are walking cases and reiterates that the losses are normal for such big operations.

## AMERICAN LABOUR'S PLEDGE.

## GERMANY AS A GREAT ROBBER STATE.

LONDON, April 15. Representative Americans touring Great Britain were entertained to luncheon at the House of Commons. The visitors declared that United States Labour was pledged to support the Allied cause until Germany is beaten to her knees. Mr. Balfour said the Central Powers now admitted that the Reichstag's famous resolution foregoing war indemnities and conceding the right of self-determination was merely camouflage. Germany now stood forth undisguised as a great robber state. Her object was to make France, England and America second-class Powers and huddle the world as a great Colossus, but he was confident that this would prove another of Germany's profound miscalculations.

## GENERAL FOCH IN SUPREME COMMAND.

## AN ABSOLUTELY UNITED ARMY.

PARIS, April 15. It is now officially announced that General Foch has been appointed Generalissimo of all the Allied Armies in France. The respective Governments have given General Foch the widest powers in order that he may set and his actions not be questioned. Thus an absolutely united Anglo-Franco-American Army is constituted.

## MAN-POWER.

## THE MILITARY AGE.

LONDON, April 15. In the House of Commons, Sir Auckland Geddes stated that the Government was determined to enforce the principle that no man over the age of 25 was to be taken for service if the situation could be met by calling up men of the present military age. The age of 25 was selected for a clean cut of the Civil Service because above 25 were men really indispensable from the point of view of war effort. This did not mean that Civil Servants over 25 were not being released as rapidly as possible. Certain Government offices were considering the desirability of releasing all men fit for general service up to 53.

## MAN-POWER BILL.

## THE COMMITTEE STAGE PASSED.

LONDON, April 16. In the House of Commons in the Committee on the Man Power Bill, Mr. Cave announced that the Government was willing to withdraw conscription of ministers of religion. The Man Power Bill passed the Committee stage after speeches by Mr. Asquith, Sir Edward Carson and Mr. Devlin all of whom criticised the manner of the application of the Man Power Bill to Ireland. The Government conceded a number points regarding tribunals.

## ULSTER TO ACCEPT IT.

LONDON, April 16. Reuter understands that the Home Rule Bill is such a moderate measure that the Ulsterites notwithstanding past declarations are likely to accept it as a piece of war legislation.

## COMPULSION IN IRELAND.

## FURTHER DISCUSSION STOPPED.

LONDON, April 15. In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law refused a Nationalist request for an additional day's discussion of the proposal to apply compulsion to Ireland.

## RECRUITING IN IRELAND.

LONDON, April 15. In the House of Commons, Mr. MacPherson declined in the public interest to state the number of troops in Ireland. Up to 31st December, Ulster had contributed over 58,000 recruits and the rest of Ireland over 55,000.

## LABOUR DEMANDS SELF-GOVERNMENT BEFORE CONSCRIPTION.

LONDON, April 16. The Labour Ministers in their interview with the Premier pressed for Irish self-government before conscription and urged the adoption of the Convention majority report. The interview had satisfactory results.

There is no crisis and the reported resignations are unfounded. The Home Rule Bill is being prepared very rapidly by a sub-committee which includes the Rt. Hon. Walter Long, Mr. Drake, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Gordon and Mr. Hewart.

## BOWEL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.

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## REASON FOR COUNT CIERMIN'S RESIGNATION.

## EMPEROR KARL'S LETTER.

LONDON, April 15. While internal reasons have also contributed to Count Ciermin's resignation, the immediate and chief cause was the publication of Emperor Karl's letter cabled on April 12 which made his position most difficult. Apparently Count Ciermin did not know of the existence of this letter which, despite the allegation of falsification, is every where accepted as quite genuine.

## "M. CLEMENCEAU THE VICTOR."

ZURICH, April 15. The *Frankfurter Zeitung* states that the Ciermin incident has caused great mistrust among the population, which is aggravated by the nature of the explanation. The *Frankfurter Zeitung* demands the publication of the original letter of the Emperor Karl.

## DIRECTION OF AIR-SERVICE.

## RESIGNATION OF MAJOR-GENERAL TRENCHARD.

LONDON, April 16. In the House of Commons, Mr. Baird announced that Major-General Trenchard's resignation was in consequence of his difference of opinion with Lord Rotherham as regards Major-General Trenchard's powers and duties.

## NEW ZEALAND INDUSTRIES.

## TO BE CONTROLLED BY GOVERNMENT.

WELLINGTON, April 15. Parliament has passed a National Service provision, authorising the Government to regulate and control all essential industries.

## HORSE RACING IN ENGLAND.

## NOT TO BE STOPPED.

LONDON, April 15. In the House of Commons, Mr. G. Lambert asked: In view of the intense struggle in France is it proposed to permit horse-racing in the United Kingdom?

Mr. MacPherson replied: The Government has not considered that there is any reason to stop the present limited programme of racing, which is considered necessary in order to maintain the important industry of horse-breeding.

## THE LANDING AT VLADIVOSTOCK.

## NO ASSURANCE OF WITHDRAWAL GIVEN.

LONDON, April 15. In the House of Commons, Lord Robert Cecil stated that no assurance had been given that the British and Japanese troops would be withdrawn from Vladivostock as soon as order was restored, but he hoped the incident would soon be closed.

## GERMAN PRISONERS IN SIBERIA.

In reply to Mr. H. R. Lees Smith, Lord Robert Cecil said the recent Reuter message that British and American officers had reported that the numbers of the arming of prisoners in Siberia were greatly exaggerated, was substantially correct.

## GERMAN TROOPS AT HELSINGFORS.

LONDON, April 16. A wireless German official message states: Our troops and naval detachments in Finland, after a vigorous encounter with armed bands, entered Helsingfors.

## OPHIUM-SMUGGLING TO SHANGHAI.

## QUESTION RAISED IN PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, April 16. In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Stephen Collins, Lord Robert Cecil stated that it did not appear that legal proceedings lay against anyone at present domiciled in the Kingdom in connection with two consignments of opium exported from London in October and November last year which were concealed and discovered on arrival at Shanghai.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

## \$1 and \$2 NOTES IN AMERICA.

LONDON, April 16. Messrs. Samuel, Montagu and Company's Silver report states that the Market is quiet. The increase of drawing rates on the India Council by a penny is due to the introduction in the United States Senate of a Bill providing for the melting of fifty millions sterling of silver dollars and the re-purchase of silver by the Treasury at a dollar an ounce, the withdrawal of silver certificates from circulation and the substitution of dollar and two-dollar Federal Reserve Bank notes, of which the Raj has been able to secure a large proportion from the United States Government. Silver is still placed in a very strong position in regard to the currency problem.

## THE FRUIT SEASON.

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## AMERICAN CABLES.

(NAVY COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE TO MANILA.)

## AMERICA'S RECORD IN THE WAR.

WASHINGTON, April 8. The itemized summary of America's accomplishments of the war issued by the Committee on Public Information, in addition to the items already mentioned, mentions the following:— Bonds, certificates of indebtedness, war savings certificates and thrift stamps have been issued to a total of \$8,500,802,052.

The United States, in the period from April 6, 1917, to March 1, 1918, had loaned foreign Governments \$4,436,320,750.

The Government is now operating 800,000 miles of railway, employing a million men.

More than 20,000,000 pairs of shoes have been ordered for the Government.

The Treasury Department has floated \$6,618,532,300 in Liberty Bonds.

The Emergency Fleet Corporation on March 5, had requisitioned 425 steel vessels and had contracted for 720 steel vessels of a total aggregate deadweight tonnage of 3,164,508; had let contracts for 400 wooden vessels totalling 1,715,000 tons; had prepared and put into operation 798,000 tons seized from Germany and Austria.

The total of deaths in the Army to March 14 from all causes was 1,101, of which 132 were killed in action and 237 were lost at sea. The number of wounded was 404 while 35 men were missing.

The casualties in the Navy and the Marine Corps to December 31 include five officers and 130 enlisted men killed or died from wounds, and ten enlisted men wounded in action.

The production of 10,000 new automobile trucks for the Army is now in progress.

The Army has expended \$50,000,000 for horse-drawn vehicles and more than \$50,000,000 for horses, mules, harness and fuel.

War prisoners to the number of 2,040 are now confined in three barracks.

American destroyers arrived in European waters to assist in patrolling 28 days after America's declaration of war.

The first contingent of the American expeditionary forces landed in a French port 88 days after the American declaration of war. The American troops went on a liner. They received their baptism of fire 137 days after the declaration of war, and American troops permanently took over a portion of the firing line as an American sector in January.

## CHINESE FARM LABOUR FOR WISCONSIN.

LaCrosse, Wis., April 10.—Nine hundred Chinese, chiefly from Chicago, are beginning to arrive here for purpose of establishing a truck garden colony. More than 1,200 acres of ground have already been purchased for the project.

The plan is to have each family cultivate 20 acres, raising potatoes, onions and celery this year.

The United States Department of Agriculture has been consulted by the Chinese farmers and is giving advice for obtaining the results.

## MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE IN TURKEY.

## CHANGE FOR BETTER AND WORSE.

Marriages and divorce in Turkey have become subject to much stricter laws than heretofore, according to information received by the *New York World*. A recent enactment makes the civil ceremony compulsory for Mohammedans, Christians and Jews alike. Priests of all confessions are no longer authorized to solemnize a marriage which has not been previously registered before a Turkish Magistrate.

Polygamy is recognized by the new law, but should a Moslem wish to take unto himself a second wife he may no longer divorce the first one upon the second bride's demand, as has been the practice. Under the Turkish system divorces were not difficult to obtain and wives had few rights. The new law, however, places the wife's status on a much higher level. It provides that a reconciliation shall first be sought between the two parties, for which purpose a special tribunal with a court of appeal has been instituted.

Westerners report as one serious flaw in the fact that it fixes the legal marrying age at nine for the girl and twelve for the boy. True, the consent of the parents or guardians must be obtained until they are seventeen and eighteen years of age respectively. It is recalled that the former Abdul Hamid ordained that twelve years should be the lowest marrying age for a girl. In this alone the new law is reactionary.

## WHY JAPANESE MARINES WERE LANDED AT VLADIVOSTOCK.

The following official statement was issued at Tokyo on the 14th inst.:— A Japanese store in Vladivostock was attacked by burglars in broad daylight yesterday and three Japanese were killed or wounded. In view of this fact marines were landed at dawn to-day for the protection of Japanese subjects.

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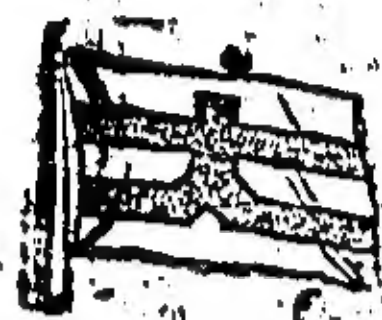
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Left Half and Section's Class only.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain W. Russell.

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Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY.  
Thursday, 18th April—  
6.10 p.m.—Drill at Headquarters. The following men only need attend—  
Ptes. Field, Irvine, Labrum, A. C. D. Logan, C. B. Logan, McKerns, Plaguet and Stapleton.

THURSDAY, 19th April—  
5.30 p.m.—At Jockey Club Stables. Dress, drill order without rifles.

FRIDAY, 10th April—  
5.30 p.m.—Parade at Headquarters. Dress, clean fatigue.

FRIDAY, 10th April—  
5.15 p.m.—All units except "D" Company on Murray Parade Ground, under Staff Sergeant, Edmonds and Corp. Gimes. Dress, drill order.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieut. J. E. W. Beard.

NOTICE.  
Sergeants Mess.—The quarterly meeting of the members of the Sergeants Mess will be held in the Mess Room at 7 p.m. on Thursday, 18th inst. Every member not on duty is to attend.

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## GENERAL MEMORANDA.

SATURDAY, April 20—

2 p.m.—Marathon Race.

TUESDAY, April 23—

St. George's Day Celebrations.

WEDNESDAY, April 24—

Moong—Hongkong Tramway Company

Meeting.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture at

Messrs Hughes and Hough's.

FRIDAY, April 26—

Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement

Day.

MONDAY, April 29—

Noon—Sale of Kowloon leasehold

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MORNING, May 6—

Noon—Extraordinary General Meet-

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Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa... lb. 30

Sausages—Ngau Cheung... lb. 36

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Tongue, fresh—Ngau Liach... lb. 60

Tongue, smoked—Ham Ngau Li... lb. 60

Head—Ngau Tam... lb. 100

Heart—Ngau Sam... lb. 13

Hump, salt—Ngau Kin... lb. 30

Feet—Ngau Kuek... lb. 10

Kidneys—Ngau Yiu... lb. 10

Tail—Ngau Mei... lb. 20

Liver—Ngau Kun... lb. 13

Tripe (underside)—Ngau To... lb. 8

Calves Head and Feet—Ngau Tai... lb. 10

Back—Ngau... lb. 10

Mutton Chop—Yeung Pui Kwai... lb. 28

Leg—Yeung Pui... lb. 26

Shoulder—Yeung Pui... lb. 24

Saddle—Yeung Pui... lb. 16

Pigs Chindings—Chu Cheung per set... lb. 23

Brains—Chu No... lb. 23

Feet—Chu Kuek... lb. 15

Fry—Chu Chap... lb. 15

Head—Chu Tau... lb. 20

Heart—Chu Sam... lb. 10

Kidneys—Chu Yiu... lb. 10

Liver—Chu Kuek... lb. 10

Pork Chop—Chu Pui Kwai... lb. 28

Leg—Chu Pui... lb. 26

Loin—Chu Hau Tau... lb. 28

Fat or Lard—Chu Yau... lb. 21

Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung... lb. 60

Tau Kuek... lb. 60

Heart—Yeung Sam... lb. 8

Kidneys—Yeung Yiu... lb. 12

Liver—Yeung Kon... lb. 16

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Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu... lb. 19

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Canton Fresh Water Fish... lb. 18

Hoi Sin Yu... lb. 18

Carp—Li Yu... lb. 10

Catfish—Chik Yu... lb. 12

Godfish—Mun Yu... lb. 10

Crabs—Hoi Yu... lb. 23

Octopus Fish—Mok Yu... lb. 18

Dab—Sha Mang Yu... lb. 10

Dace—Wong Mei Lap... lb. 10

Dog Fish—Tui To Sha... lb. 10

Eel, Conger—Hoi Man... lb. 18

Fresh Water—Tam Shui Yu... lb. 20

Yellow—Wong Shui Yu... lb. 20

Frog—Tui Kuek... lb. 23

Gardou—Shak Pau Yu... lb. 10

Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu... lb. 18

Herring—Tui Pak Yu... lb. 23

Halibut—Cheung Kwan Kap... lb. 18

Labrus—Wong Fa Yu... lb. 23

Loach—Wong Yu Yu... lb. 20

Lobster—Lung Ha Yu... lb. 20

Mackerel—Chik Yu... lb. 20

Monk Fish—Mong Yu... lb. 20

Mullet—Tui Yu... lb. 18

Oysters—Shang Yu Yu... lb. 16

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Pouch—Tui Yu... lb. 10

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